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GRAND OPERA HOUSE, corner of Eighth avenue and 23d street.—THE BOHEMIAN GIRL.

BOOTH'S THEATRE, 23dst, between 5th and 6th ave.-FIRST PART OF KING HENRY IV.

OLYMPIC THEATRE. Broadway. - DARIUS DUTTON -- A BULL IN A CHINA SHOP.

FIFTH AVENUE THEATRE.-A NEW WAY TO PAY OLD DERTS.

NIBLO'S GARDEN, Broadway. - THE MILITARY DRAMA OF FIRE FLY.

WOOD'S MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE, Broadway, cormer Thirtieth st.—Matinee daily. Performance every ovening. BOWERY THEATRE, Bowery.—Faustus—The Isish TUTOR.

MRS. F. B. CONWAY'S PARK THEATRE, Brooklyn.-

TONY PASION'S OPERA HOUSE, 201 Bowery.—Comic VOCALISM, NEGRO MINSTRELSY, &c.

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L. BRYANTS' MINSTERLS.

et.—BRYANIS MINSTRELS.

SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS, 585 Broadway.—EthioPlan Minstrelsy, Negro Acre. Ac.

WAVERLEY THEATRE, No. 729 Broadway.—Ethio-Pian Minstelley, Neoro Acts, Ac. NEW YORK CIRCUS, Fourteenth street.—Equestrian AND GYMMASTIC PERFORMANCES. Ac.

STEINWAY HALL, Fourteenth street-GRAND VOCAL AND INSTRUMENTAL CONCERT.

HOOLEY'S OPERA HOUSE, Brooklyn.—HOOLEY'S MINSTREES—NEGRO ECCENTRICITIES, &C.

SOMERVILLE ART GALLERY, Fifth avenue and 14th street.—EXHIBITION OF THE NIVE MUSSS.

NEW YORK MUSEUM OF ANATOMY, 618 Broadway.— SCIENCE AND ART.

LADIES' NEW YORK MUSEUM OF ANATOMY, 618% Broadway.—FEMALES ONLY IN ATTRIBUS NO.

TRIPLE SHEET.

New York, Monday, November 29, 1869.

TO ADVERTISERS.

Increasing Circulation of the Herald.

We are again constrained to ask advertisers to hand in their advertisements at as early an hour aspossible.

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THE NEWS.

Europe

Cable telegrams are dated November 28.

In the Spanish Cortes on Saturday a resolution of sensure against the Cabinet was rejected. The Pope will announce the opening of the Ecumenical Council in person.

Our special correspondence from Europe embraces an important original letter on the subject of the composition of the "internal world" assembled in Paris and the American representation therein. Other matters of interest in detail of cable telegrams to the 19th of November are also treated by our writers in the Old World.

Turkey and Egypt.

A Paris journal reports the State questions existing between the Sultan and the Viceroy of Egypt as of a very threatening character. The Sultan may, it is said, depose the Viceroy unless the difficulty is adjusted by European arbitration.

Miscellaneous.

In the Currency and Printing Bureau of the Treasury Department at Washington late Saturday evening it was discovered that \$750 of fractional currency was missing. After a strict search the sum could not be found, and all the employes, male and female, were subjected to a personal examination. Even this failed to bring the missing currency to light, and about eleven o'clock at night the unfortunate employes were permitted to return home. Yesterday morning the lost funds were found in a room where they had been suffered to remain through a mistake in counting.

The Congressional Committee of Ways and Means meet in Washington this morning to revise the Tariff bill. Judge Kelly, of Pennsylvania, has prepared a long list of articles of prime necessity to be put on the free list, which can never be produced in this country, but are now subject to excessive importation duties. The committee will meet daily until Congress assembles.

The President has determined not to furnish the press with a copy of his message in advance of its submission to Congress, nor will it be put in type until after it has been read in both houses.

President Grant hopes to have the Darien ship canai well under way before the close of his administration, and to further this work has ordered the Secretary of the Navy to detail a sufficient force to make the necessary surveys of the isthmus. No doubt is entertained that the treaty already negotiated will be ratified by the Colombian government, and in view of this fact that government has accorded permission to the United States to cause the requisite surveys to be made.

The reports of the Secretary of War and his subordinates, as also that of General Sherman, have been sent to the public printer. With the exception of that of the Secretary of the Navy, the reports of all the heads of the departments are nearly completed. None of these reports, however, will be made public before they have been laid before Congress.

Mr. E. C. Sniffen, a fourth class clerk in the Treasury Department, has been appointed executive

cierk to the President.

Early vesterday morning Cornellus Stahl, a German only six months in the country, was murdered in a shocking manner at Newark, N. J. Five persons are in custody, but the supposed real murderer escaped and was not arrested at a late hour last night. The affair is surouded in mystery.

A desperate fight occurred at Somerset, Pulaski county, Kentucky, on Saturday last, between a party of twenty "regulators" and the friends of a noted character named Cooper, who had been whipped by the regulators some time before. Three men were killed and one mortally wounded.

Henry M. Dunn, of Albany, who was bitten by a dog in August last, died of hydrophobia on Saturday

The stockholders of the Chesapeake and Onto Railroad have ratified a contract with New York capitalists for the completion of their road. The New Yorkers are to finish the road or got nothing for their labor.

The City.

The rumor that a large number of Spanish men-ofwar had been ordered to rendesvous in this harbor

is discredited in well informed Washington circles.

The report that a large fleet of our own iron-clads had been ordered here is also officially denied. The Minatonomon will make a trial trip to this port, and one or two other vessels have been sent here for repealer.

The Assistant United States Treasurer in this city has been directed to continue the sales of gold and purchase of bonds during the ensuing month of December.

About eight o'clock yesterday morning a man named Kelly, while in a state of intoxication, was placed in a cell in the Oak street station house. Two hours later he was found dead in his cell.

The bark Scottish Bride, from Bordeaux, arrived at this port yesterday, reports that in latitude 38 16, longitude 74 08, saw two sea serpents, one about fifteen or twenty feet long and six or eight in thickness; the other about five feet long. They looked about the color of a sage land snake.

A firm of sharpers, calling themselves Totten & Co., having an office in William street, succeeded in swindling about 150 laborers out of five dollars each, under pretence of furnishing them passage to New Orieans, at which place they were to be set to work at \$3.75 per day. On Saturday, the day of sailing, their office was closed and Totten & Co. failed to put in an appearance.

Prominent Arrivals in the City.

Samuel Bowles, of Springfield, and D. W. Gooch, of Massachusetts, are at the Brevoort House.
General Kent Jarvis, of Ohio; J. Tillinghast, of Albany, and E. M. McCook, of Colorado, are at the

St. Nicholas Hotel.
Count Zowiskie, of Russia, and Major James T.
Ryley, of Savannah, are at the St. Charles Hotel.
Captain J. Kennedy, of the steamship Brussels;
Captain W. H. Thompson, of the steamship Queen,

Captain W. H. Thompson, of the steamship Queen, and Julian Fairfax, of Baltimore, are at the New York Hotel.

Wallace Granam, of the United States Navy, and Charles M. Estis, of Troy, are at the St. Denis Hotel.

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Dr. C. Bailey, of Pitisfield; J. H. Benson, of Liverpool; C. P. Hale, of Abbany, and F. A. Jewett, of Boston, are stopping at the Everett House.
Oliver Ames, of Massachusetts; E. H. Rollins, of New Hampshire; Henry M. Smith, of Chicago; E.

Ngw Hampshire; Henry M. Smith, of Chicago; E. D. L. Weed, of Texas, and J. D. Simpson, of Kentucky, are at the Fitth Avenue Hotel.
W. B. Cozzens, of West Point, and W. L. Hamil-

ton, of Albany, are at the Albermarie Hotel.

Ex-Congressman F. E. Woodbridge, of Vermont;
H. Pretell, of San Francisco; George Eastman, of
England, and John Hitz, of Washington, are at the
Astor House,

The Isthmus of Darion Canal.

Elsewhere we publish this morning a very full and graphic history of the various efforts which have been made, from the discovery of the Pacific by Balboa to the present day, to find a strait or to construct a canal connecting that ocean with the Atlantic. Accompanying the sketch is a map showing the routes which have from time to time been projected, their relative positions on the isthmus, a view of the gulf shore of Mexico and the United States and the islands of the Caribbean Sea and of the Atlantic Ocean. The careful perusal of our article and study of the map will amply repay the reader in the amount of interest and instruction they afford.

With satisfaction we see it announced by our Washington correspondent that the United States steamer Nipsic has been ordered to the duty of aiding in the survey of "the most direct route across the Isthmus of Darien for the proposed ship canal, provided for by the treaty between the United States and the Colombian government." It is true the Senate of the last named republic rejected this treaty on the 1st of March of the present year; but the recent elections there and the defeat of the partisans of Mosquera, not less than the late action of the Panama Legislature in adopting a resolution requesting the Senate of Colombia to reconsider the rejection of the treaty, lead to the conclusion that within a brief period it will be ratified formally and finally.

Almost criminally neglectful in this enterprise as our government has been since the time of President Adams, who, in 1798, could have taken possession of the isthmus jointly with Great Britain, and did not, past errors will be more than rectified if the present work is pushed forward to a successful termination. We cannot afford to much longer do without a canal connecting the oceans. Our commerce with South America, China, Japan and the East Indies is kept confined within the narrowest limits for want of a short and safe route to those countries. Our geographical position should command a monopoly of the trade with Peru, Chile and the other Pacific nations, instead of which a successful competition is kept up by Great Britain. The recent opening of the Suez Canal brings Liverpool and Marseilles nearer to the East than New York, whose merchant vessels must cross the Atlantic to the Mediterranean before they can avail themselves of the advantages which the canal offers to all nations. But why should they brave the innumerable dangers of the Red Sea, when the best route in the world awaits only the exercise of a proper energy and the expenditure of ready capital to be thrown open? The great trade winds of the Pacific, unvarying in their passage across the ocean to and from the East Indies, give us a superiority over all other countries. With a canal across the Isthmus of Darien a very few years will find us defying competition in the Pacific and successfully competing with Great Britain in the far East, including even her own colonies. Continued neglect will inevitably occasion a decline in our commerce, to the irreparable injury of some of our most valuable industries. We have, therefore, the alternative of either speedily constructing a canal or of witnessing the mortifying spectacle of other nations outstripping us in a race, every element of success in which is on our side. We must either utilize our advantages or we will

destroy them. In 1857 our trade with Chile and Peru was less than eight million dollars, while that of Great Britain was nearly thirty-six million dollars, and that of France over twenty-three million dollars. This most unnatural discrepancy between our trade with the republies named and that of two European nations is attributable more to the non-existence of interoceanic communication than to any other cause. There are few articles manufactured in Great Britain and France which we do not manufacture, and which we could not sell as cheaply as those nations do. That their commerce with every country reached by the cape routes, the Panama Railroad and now the Suez Canal, save the Pacific coast of Mexico and the United States of Colombia, exceeds ours in an overwhelming proportion is a fact as humiliating as it is incontestable. The Pacific Railroad, while admirably adapted to developing the resources of a vast region of country, possessed of immense mineral and agricultural wealth, and to expanding our commerce with China and Japan, has so far proven an ineffec-

tual substitute for a canal. Rallroads, though

incomparable as means of transit for travellers, cannot compete with water courses, navigated by ships which carry great cargoes of merchandise direct to their destination without breaking bulk. If, then, we do not intend to abandon the commercial race to our present principal rivals we must, without a single month of unnecessary delay, break through the barriers of the Cordilleras and force the rivers of the isthmus to form an unbroken navigable connection with the waters of the oceans.

That President Grant is alive to the import-

ance of the early construction of a canal we

have no doubt, and that he will energetically prosecute the work of making one we feel assured. Its successful prosecution will be the crowning measure of his administra-The almost certain early annexation of the Island of St. Domingo and the more than probable acquisition of Cuba and Porto Rico will be but important incidents in the history of the United States when such a canal is completed. Its political effect cannot be overestimated. The splendid and fertile Island of Jamaica will be so surrounded by American territory or American influence that its abandonment by Great Britain, together with the yielding up of all her possessions in the Caribbean Sea, will become but a mere question of time, and not a very remote time at that. Politically, then, as well as commercially, our necessities point unerringly to the Isthmus of Darien for the practical solution of the great problems they contain. We trust, therefore, that the expedition organizing now to survey a practicable route will be sent to the isthmus thoroughly prepared in every particular for a successful exploration. Let us have no repetition of the practically useless expenditure of time and money that characterized the unfortunate efforts of Lieutenant Strain. Neither do we desire a second expedition like that of Lieutenant Michler, the valuable results of which we willingly admit inasmuch as it gave us a thorough knowledge of the Atrato valley; but we cannot forget that it pointed out to us no absolutely practicable route for a canal. What we desire now, and what should be ordered by President Grant, is an expedition which, after once landing, shall not leave the isthmus until every gorge and ravine in the Cordilleras is explored, or until a route for an interoceanic canal is discovered, surveyed and made ready for an army of laborers to begin work upon. Only in this way will the canal be finally constructed, the commerce of the United States expanded and the political destiny of this republic fulfilled.

The American Woman Suffrage Association That is the name. The late national convention of the ladies and their assistant volunteers in breeches at Cleveland, Ohio, have settled it. It is a national organization, with power to set in motion subordinate associations all over the country, and with power to raise money, to spend it and to publish tracts and papers and to carry the war into Africa. The Rev. Henry Ward Beecher is president of the new national association, and among the vice presidents at large (four males and four females) are William Lloyd Garrison, George William Curtis and George W. Julian (member of Congress from Indiana and author of the sixteenth amendment, which provides for woman suffrage). There are a hundred and more other officers, nearly one-half in breeches, secretaries, vice presidents and executive committee, and it is in this admission of the men on a footing of general equality and in the placing a man (Brother Beecher) at the very head of the concern, that it may be pronounced as meaning business and a vigorous prosecution of the war. George Francis Train has been ruled out, Miss Anthony having pronounced him a charlatan. This is another sign that under the new organization the cause of woman suffrage is to be fought upon its own merits, and that Train is not the woman's rights candidate for the next Presidency.

In the HERALD of yesterday we printed the manifesto which has been issued by the members of what is called the "Left" party in the French Chambers. It will be remembered that some months ago it was intended by that party to make a demonstration against the government, and that by the "reds," or impatients or irreconcilables, as they are at one time and another called, they were pronounced traitors for abandoning their purpose. This document commends itself to all as able, dignified, temperate, but firm and uncompromising. It shows that though they did not choose to provoke a massacre in the streets of Paris they have not abandoned their purpose. They mean to put an end to the one man government; but they propose to do it by legitimate means. We have no doubt at all that this manifesto will command the respect of all the liberals of France, and that Rochefort and the extreme men will have no choice, but fall in with the larger and more moderate party or be swamped. Later news by cable telegraph says that Napoleon means to take the wind out the sails of this moderate party, and even to rival the "reds" in his speech at the opening of the Chambers to-day. We shall soon know.

COMPANIONSHIP IN CRIME.-A vagabond named Hamilton was sent to the State Prison the other day for shooting, with intent to kill, and seriously wounding an inoffensive citizen under the impression that it was "Mart" Allen, a desperate character, charged with having taken Hamilton's woman from him and made a panel thief of her. It next appears that from the testimony of this very woman her associate panel thief, "Mart" Allen, is sent to the State Prison for robbing a verdant countryman by the panel game. The woman herself will most probably finish her career on the island or at Sing Sing; while as for Hamilton and Allen, with five years of companionship provided them under the same roof, they ought to be satisfied with each other and with the impartial justice of Judge Bedford.

A Great Relief.—The assurance from high Spanish sources that the expected Spanish fleet of Iron-clads is not coming through the Narrows, nor yet through Hell Gate, to blow the city of New York out of the water. All parties, therefore, in the city engaged in building houses may proceed with their work. The outside Spanish fleet is not coming in, and the inside Spanish fleet is not going out for some time to come.

Cuba and the Monroe Doctrine.

The administration begins to wake up, evi-

dently, to the necessity of applying the Monroe doctrine to the case of Cuba, and that not in the cramped and narrow meaning which has been given to it lately by the refi-tape diplomacy of the State Department, but in accordance with the interpretation of the people. Public sentiment, which must always prevail in the end under our form of government, begins to tell at last upon the timid and excessively conservative Secretary of State. The seizure and "libelling" of the Spanish gunboats and the issue the government is prepared to raise against them, as a last resort, of these vessels being intended to make war on a "people or colony" with which the United States are at peace, show the broad ground the administration will take in case of necessity. The President, no doubt, has taken an active interest in this new movement and new phase that is about to be given to international law by America, though the question belongs especially to the State Department in its administrative capacity. It is proper to conclude, therefore, that Mr. Fish is preparing to move from his old and unsafe moorings and to set sail with the popular breeze. We recommend him to "crack on" with all sail set, for he has a ship equal to any storm, plenty of sea room and no danger.

The Monroe doctrine was not an abstraction at the time it was promulgated. It was based on great and broad principles of national policy, and the government in those early days, when not a fifth as powerful as now, was ready to maintain it at the mouth of cannon or by the sword. The policy proclaimed by that doctrine was that there should be no more colonization or conquests on American soil by the nations and monarchical Powers of Europe, and was intended to prevent at that particular time the threatened reconquest of the Spanish American republics by Spain and her allies. While this was its special application there was a broader and more comprehensive one which looked to the protection and extension of republican institutions over all the countries of America. It meant that whenever a favorable opportunity arrived the United States would use its influence or power to enlarge the area of republican government and to exclude European domination in this hemisphere. Since the Monroe doctrine was established as a fundamental principle of American policy there have been occasions when it was not strictly enforced. The invasion of Mexico and setting up a European monarchy there by the French was a clear violation of this doctrine and policy; but the United States had a gigantic civil war on hand at the time and could not act as promptly as it would have done otherwise. Still this doctrine was applied, and the French had to leave and their exotic monarchy was suppressed in the end. The application would have been made, no doubt, on broader ground to Cuba, when revolutionary movements on several occasions afforded the opportunity, but for the conflict of opinions in the United

States relative to slavery and sectional rivalry. These opportunities were lost, and, as a consequeuce, Cuba has been a subject of much trouble and sharp diplomatic encounters between this country and European Powers. The jealousy and rivalry of these Powers and the sensibility of Spain have brought this country to the verge of a rupture with Europe more than once. Now there is another opportunity and a better one than ever occurred before to apply the Monroe doctrine to Cuba; and there is no division in this country on the subject The slavery question cannot enter into it, for that institution has been abolished both in Cuba, by the revolutionary government, and in the United States. The Cubans have established a de facto government, which exercises authority over two-thirds of the island, have a perfect civil and military organization, have maintained a successful struggle for fourteen months against Spanish despotism, have been gaining strength from the commencement of the revolution, and are stronger to-day than ever. What better opportunity could be afforded to apply the Monroe doctrine-to favor the extension of republican institutions in this hemisphere, and to exclude European domination from America? Never was there a clearer case, and our government would show an amount of weakness and ignorance almost incredible if it should fail to recognize the Cubans and to throw the shield of American

Disturbances in the French Manufacturing Districts-Curious Political Reaction.

protection over them.

It is reported from Paris that troops have been despatched to Alby, in the department of the Tarn-the seat of the cotton and woollen manufactures of the southwest-to quell the disturbances among the operatives there. These disturbances result from the reduction of the work or the wages in these factories, or in movements for an increase of wages; and similar troubles of late have been reported, not only in France, but in the manufacturing centres of Belgium, Germany and England. The causes for these troubles are that under the long reign of a general peace in Europe the products of the European cotton, woollen, silk and iron factories have increased the general supply of all these goods beyond the general demand, including the great market of the United States; that meantime the growth of cotton has not kept pace with the increase of cotton mills in Europe and America; that while the general demand for cotton goods is not supplied, the high price of the raw material and the competition among the mills have reduced them all generally to short time, or to suspensions, or to a discharge of their employes to a greater or less extent; that the consequent depression in the great cotton manufacturing centres has operated to depress all other manufactures, and that there can be no general relief short of an immense crop of the raw material from the cotton growing districts of Asia, Africa and America in the same year.

But the most remarkable fact in connection with these depressions and disturbances in the European manufacturing districts is this, that they are producing in all those districts a common political reaction against free trade and in favor of local laws of protection. It is so in Belgium, France and Germany; and even in Manchester and Birmingham there is a marked reaction against the free trade policy. We say nothing for the present of the wisdom or the fallacy of this curious political reaction. We simply note the fact that not only on the

European Continent, but in the manufacturing centres of England, the theory of protection against the competition of outside manufactures is rapidly gaining ground under the general depression of trade. The fact is a very interesting one, and will probably soon become the bone of a lively contention between our protectionist and free trade philosophers.

Our Supreme Court Judges and Their Conflicting Orders.

The frequent conflicts in the decisions rendered by the Judges of our Supreme Court must leave a most unfavorable impression upon the public mind, either as to the "glorious uncertainty of the laws" or their ability to expound and administer them rightly by the Judges themselves. It is very noticeable, however, that it is on questions involving great pecuniary interests and large monetary transactions that our official doctors disagree oftenest and most. Occasionally we have a political snarl to smooth away, and here again the Judges who are appealed to in the premises make confusion worse confounded, and the "law and the prophets" become so inextricably mixed and muddled that it would require a Jack Bunsby to "say as to how" one of these cases properly stands.

We have seen the fact of judicial conflicts in orders and decisions emanating from the Supreme Court so forcibly exemplified in the great railroad wars of last year that it is sufficient merely to advert to the subject to awaken attention to it. We have now a strong illustration of this diversity of opinion on a purely political question, and which again suggests the consideration whether it is in the abstruseness and unintelligibleness of the law or in the ready obliquity of mind with which its expounders read and interpret it that all this strange conflict of opinion arises. In the case of the contested Supervisorship in this city one Judge-the presiding Judge of the Supreme Court-on application made to him, grants a writ of mandamus directed to the Board of County Canvassers to exclude all votes cast in the late election for a particular candidate for Supervisor and to count the votes in favor of his opponent. Another Judge of the same court. on an application made to him in the premises. vacates the order of his associate on the bench. leaving things in statu quo, and further directing the Board to close the canvass and declare the result. The Board does so and then adjourns. Here is a direct conflict of orders and decisions on a political question by two Judges not en rapport in politics. How far this fact has tended to the result can perhaps only be decided after a thorough examination of the law; but who will decide when doctors disagree?

Hangings for December.

The last month of the expiring year will, at its close, leave behind a melancholy record. The gallows will be in requisition to a sad and fatal degree indeed throughout the month. Inexorable justice demands the punishment of no less than twelve malefactors guilty of the highest of crimes-the taking, with "malice intent," the lives of their fellow men. The record of crime to be expiated for by the infliction of the extreme penalty presents the following cases :- Owen Hand to be executed at Brooklyn, L. I.; John Fields at Williamsport, Pa.; Zachary Taylor (colored) at Butler, Pa.; Dr. Paul Schoeppe at Carlisle, Pa.; Antoine Maurer at New City, N. Y.; William Burke at Jamaica, L. I.; Joseph Messner at Rochester, N. Y.: Daniel Walsh at Chicago, Ill. : Robert H. Goldsborough in Sussex county, Delaware; Max Klengler at St. Louis, Mo.; Benjamin Farhout in Wyoming county, N. Y.

Our own city will be exempt from witnessing an execution in the coming hanging month of December, though within the Tombs one man lies under the death penalty sentence. Enough is presented in the above list, however, to impress all with the conviction that crime, particularly that of the taking of life, is greatly on the increase in every section of the country; but whether the example to be set in the persons of the coademned will have any salutary effect is more to be hoped than to be expected.

BONE GRAVY.-The Board of Assistant Aldermen on Saturday concurred in the resolution of the other Board increasing the compensation of the Long Island Bone Laboratory from \$15,000 to \$60,000 a year. Assistant Alderman Roberts objected and pleaded such old time considerations as "heavy expenses," "contractor's security," "the interests of the city," and the old fashion of awarding contracts to the lowest bidder, and moved, accordingly, that the Street Department be instructed to advertise for the lowest bid; but his motion was not even seconded. The fact is Mr. Roberts is behind the age, in looking after "the interests of the city" instead of the largest division of the plunder all round among the rings; but still honest men will endorse him, though he stands alone in his glory.

KING VICTOR EMANUEL ON THE ROMAN COUNCIL.—In his late address to the Italian Parliament the King said:—"The government has not thought it expedient to interfere with the bishops who are going to Rome to attend the Ecumenical Council; but the King hopes that a word may go forth from that assembly that will reconcile faith, science and civilization." That is a grand idea. But he says, too, that "in any case the Italians may be assured that the King will maintain intact the rights of the State and the dignity of the people." And that is also a grand idea, and the main question between the King and the Council.

THE JEWS IN RUSSIA.—A cable despatch from St. Petersburg informs us that by putting in force a certain mediaval law the Russian officials in Bessarabia have forced some two thousand Jews from their homes into the heart of Russia. It is added that it is not believed that the Emperor will approve of these proceedings. Why should he? It is a good opportunity for the Czar to show by abolishing those mediaval laws that he has some decent respect for the opinions of the civilized world.

MR. WASHBURNE IN HIGH FAVOR WITH NAPOLEON.—Among the few invited guests at a private (not official) ball at the Tuileries on Saturday night last was our Minister, Mr. Washburne. This is another indication of the policy of Napoleon to keep on the right side of General Grant.

Yesterday's Sermons.

The weather was so fine yesterday that the church-goers of New York and Brooklyn had no excuse for staying at home, and the houses of worship were all well filled. Our report of the sermons preached in several churches exhibits a great variety of topics. Prominent among these are "Reform in Public Worship," "Reliance on Providence," "Perfectness of Manhood," "Marriage," "Making Haste to Get Rich the Ruling Passion of Modern Civilization," and "Religious Irreligion." From some of these topics it may be inferred that theology is still taught from the pulpit.

The discourse on "Merriage" was enlivened by allusions to the recent attempted assassination of a journalist by a jealous husband and by a novel recommendation of compulsory laws against celibacy. At Washington a sermon was delivered by a colored preacher, the Rev. Mr. Martin, on "Caste," the same subject on which Senator Summer is to hold forth this week in New York and in Brooklyn. The immediate occasion of Mr. Martin's discourse was that his little girl had been refused admission as a pupil in a school at Washington. He referred to his personal experience in England and the speech of General Grant to General Tate, the Haytien envoy, as proof that caste prejudices on account of color are beginning to disappear. Among the hearers of this sermon were Vice President Colfax, General Butler, George F. Downing and several colored celet

The Sultan and the Viceroy. It does not appear from our latest news that

the Sultan has yet given up his complaint against the Viceroy. Rumors are as yet conflicting. By some it is said that a compromise will be effected with the aid of the great Powers. By others it is said that an ultimatum has actually been sent to the Khedive, and that several vessels of the Turkish navy are ready to sail for Alexandria. That trouble exists and that a storm is brewing is nowhere denied. It is the prevailing sentiment at the Porte that the Viceroy is now and has for some time been doing too much on his own account. The authorities at Constantinople cannot close their eyes to the fact that the Viceroy, with his army, his splendid steamships, his Suez Canal and his vast personal wealth, is putting his nominal master very much in the shade. This feeling is aggravated and fanned into flame by certain bitter enemies of the Viceroy who are prominent in the councils of the Sultan. By changing the order of succession in Egypt and by other acts the Viceroy has not only grievously offended and greatly wronged a brother and an uncle, but has forced them into exile. These two Egyptian princes-Mustapha, the brother, and Halim, the uncle-have found a home in Constantinople; and the former is not only one of the most able and active of the Young Turkey party, but a prominent member of the Sultan's Council of Ministers. All that these men and their friends can do is being done to foment a quarrel between the Sultan and his nominal vassal, the Khedive.

That Turkey and Egypt will go to war we do not believe, The great Powers will not permit it. They cannot afford to permit it. The worst that can befall will be another European Congress on the Eastern question. This Congress may have some hard work to accomplish; but it will not be difficult for it to effect a compromise and maintain the peace of Europe for a little while longer. There is but one Power in Europe that would be likely to stand by the Viceroy if he refused all advice. The Viceroy, however, is not in the present instance the aggressor, and the chances are small that he will refuse advice. It is the Sultan who threatens; but we may rest assured that even though Russia should stand aloof Europe will still be strong enough to hold Turkey in check. We apprehend trouble; we think a European Congress probable; but we do not apprehend war.

THE DESPERATE AFFRAY IN KENTUCKY, of which we publish an account this morning, recalls the violence of pioneer days on "the dark and bloody ground." A desperado, who had been whipped by the "Regulators," causes twenty of his neighbors to be arrested on the charge of having assaulted him. With about the same number of confederates he meets them, "armed to the teeth," in the county seat on the day set down for the trial. Both parties blaze away at each other, exchanging one hundred and fifty shots. Three men are killed and another is mortally wounded. After a brief truce "by mutual consent," their ammunition having been exhausted, a fresh supply is obtained and the battle is about to be renewed when the belligerents are dispersed "by armed citizens." The "cruel war was over," and it was time it should be ended.

A GOOD PRACTICE NOT PROPERLY APPRECIATED.—It is said the Canadians are disgusted with Prince Arthur in this, that when he buys anything he pockets the change. But why should he not pocket the change? If he were to leave it on the counter the Canadians would probably say he is putting on airs, and gives us his change as he would drop a penny into a beggar's hat. The Prince is right. Business is business, and in taking his change when he makes a purchase he is supporting the established order of business, which is one of the best things even a Prince can do.

FIRES IN THE CITY.

Between two and three o'clock yesterday moraing a fire broke out at No. 32 Beekman street, occupied on the first floor by Pinkney & Miller as a paper warehouse. Their damage by water is \$200. The second floor is occupied by the New York Citizen and Round Table newspaper, and the stock was slightly damaged. The front of the second floor is occupied by Isaac J. Oliver, who also occupied the third and fourth floors. Mr. Oliver's loss will reach \$1,500. The fitth floor is occupied by E. J. Tomlinson, bookbinder, who sustained \$600 toss, insurances not assertained. The fire broke out in Mr. Oliver's premises.

In Greenwich Street.

At ten A. M. yesterday a fire occurred at No. 211 Greenwich street, occupied by George Adler as a cigar store. The loss by water was \$100. Adler was arrested on suspicion of having fired the premises.

CONDITION OF ALBERT D. RICHARDSON.

Mr. A. D. Richardson, who now lies at the Astor
House, suffering from a pistol shot wound inflicted
by Dantel McParland, at the Tribune office, a few
evenings since, was reported by his attending
physician at twelve o'clock last night to be in about
the same state as during the past two days, no material change for botter or worse having manifested